ABSTRACT

Methods and systems for establishing a secure network channel between two ore more devices in a communication network are disclosed. In exemplary implementations the network may be a UPnP network. A first device passes authentication information to at least a second device to permit the second device to authenticate the first device. Optionally, the first device may request to authenticate the second device, in which authentication information associated with the second device is passed to the first device. The first device uses this information to authenticate the second device. At least one of the first and second device may store authentication information in an data store associated with the device.